



MINUTES

03/08.2023
7:00 pm

Type of meeting:		American Legion Post 105—GENERAL MEMBERSHIP Meeting				
Presiding Officer:		George Smith, Commander				
Note Taker		John Robinson, Adjutant				
ROLL CALL	OFFICER	NAME	P	E	A	NOTES
	COMMANDER	GEORGE SMITH	X			
	1 ST	TOM DAY	X			
	2 ND	LEO MCARDLE	X			
	3 RD	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR	X			
	JUDGE ADVOCATE	ROBERT CLAUNCH		E		
	CHAPLAIN	COBBEY SOVA	X			
	ADJUTANT	JOHN ROBINSON	X			
	FINANCE OFFICER	VERN MULL	X			
	SGT-at-ARMS	AL ROSENMILLER		E		
	HISTORIAN	MICHAEL TOSCHAK		E		
	VSO	CHESTER PALESOO	X			
	JR. PAST COMMANDER					
	MEMBER@LRG	STAN MAUPIN				
	MEMBER@LRG	WILLIAM JACKSON, JR.				
MEMBER@LRG	JOHN ROBINSON					
MEMBER@LRG	MICHAEL TOSCHAK					
MEMBER@LRG	AL ROSENMILLER					
MEMBER@LRG	CHESTER PALESOO					
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS	GUEST NAME:					
General Membership Minutes of February 8, 2023 are posted on the website	MOTION TO ACCEPT BY:	Chester Palesoo	SECOND BY:	Alan Hirsch		
	DISCUSSION/CORRECTION					
	PASSED:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO			
CORRESPONDENCE	FROM	None				
	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS					
REPORTS	REPORT BY	Commander George Smith				
	Patches/Pins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patches/pins For those members that didn't receive their membership years patches/pins please see 1st Vice Tom Day. 				
	R.E.D. Friday shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> R.E.D. Friday shirts Tee shirts are available for \$25 each. Sizes are limited because many have been sold. We thank Tom Giannini and Carol Bagley who sold 49 shirts at the Elks crab feed fund raiser! All proceeds from the sales go to support our veterans community. 				

		<p>Theft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theft Feb. 28 persons unknown cut the main gate padlock and pried the clasp with the lock on it off the basement door to the McDonald House and took two neon signs. We made a police report. Today we found out that the Blue Star Moms trailer was broken into by having two locks drilled out and \$1200 worth of items were taken. We added this to the police report. <p>We cannot put a case-hardened lock on the gate because Recology and the police need to be able to get onto the property. When the weather clears, we will get our outside security cameras installed.</p> <p>Roof leaks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roof leaks We are on the list for the roofers to come and fix two small leaks. <p>Computer lab</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer lab/video conferencing All grant money has been spent. We paid upfront for the equipment and submitted receipts to the county for reimbursement. We deposited all reimbursements into the building fund because we used building fund money to purchase the equipment. <p>Bingo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bingo No new information regarding city approval to proceed. <p>Car Show</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Car Show April 1 54 cars are registered. We thank Peggy Toye for keeping track of registrants and for printing the “tickets” that will go on the windshields of the cars. Registrants pay \$25 to enter and they get 2 tickets for lunch. <p>Donations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donations The Tonga Consulate gave the post a \$400 donation for letting them park a shipping container on our property to collect items going to Tonga. <p>Turkey earthquake relief fund The fund drive goes until the end of March. So far donations from individuals and groups totals \$1525.00. The donation will go to the Red Cross to be used for earthquake relief in Turkey.</p> <p>Commander’s Coffee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commander’s Coffee March 29, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. 10 a.m. presentation by Hearts for Humanity, a company that helps homeless people. CEO Debra Orler will be the speaker.
		DISCUSSION:
		<p>REPORT BY: Adjutant John Robinson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rentals Rentals are slow. March 25 is the only rental coming up.
		DISCUSSION:
		<p>REPORT BY: 1st Vice Tom Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership Membership is at 181. Tom is working on contacting the members who haven’t renewed their memberships.

		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	2 nd Vice Leo McArdle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broken window Men's bathroom window blew out in one of the storms. There is a temporary plexiglass piece in place. Glass replacement will happen when the weather permits. Cameras Outdoor cameras will be installed when weather permits.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	3 rd Vice William Jackson, Jr. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls and Boys State There are four delegates: one girl and three boys. The fees were sent in on time. Last Saturday the photos for the girl were taken and on the 18th the photos of the boys will be taken.
		DISCUSSION:	Commander Smith thanked whoever paid the fees.
		REPORT BY:	Board Member Stan Maupin, Building Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stan deferred to Commander Smith regarding the report. Commander Smith's report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The contract with Republic needed to be renegotiated because it had expired. The new contract stipulates that in case there is eminent domain against the post, the post won't have to pay back the \$250,000 it received from Republic. Also, the new contract provides for a payment of \$75,000 to the post for each of two six-month extensions in case they are needed. Our lawyer's fees will be between \$12,000 and \$15,000 for the negotiations. Layout changes because of 50' easement the city wants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> --Rental units for veterans remain at 20%, but will be fewer in number. --We can use the 50' easement for parking but no permanent structures can be built on it.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	Financial Officer Vern Mull <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 1st we paid bills and had enough in the checking account to pay them. In April we will have to use building fund money to pay property tax and insurance.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	Chaplain Cobbey Sova <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stan Maupin's mother, Jackie, is seriously ill. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	VSO Chester Palesoo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VSO report is coming along as planned. Be aware of how easy access to fentanyl is causing so much pain to families.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	ALA President Carol Rael <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ALA donated \$500 to the Blue Star Moms to go toward replacing items that were lost in the recent theft. April 22 at 10 a.m. we will be stuffing envelopes for our Poppy fundraising drive.
		DISCUSSION:	
		REPORT BY:	ALS Commander Andrew Trapani <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In January under the command of Leo McArdle the Sons had 4 missions, 120 miles, and 22 volunteer hours.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In February the Sons had 5 missions, 315 miles and 28 volunteer hours.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	ALR Director Andrew Trapani <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In January the Riders had 5 honor details, 546 miles, and 85 volunteer hours. In February the Riders had 7 missions, 912 miles, and 110 volunteer hours. They earned \$600 for participating in a marathon, \$300 of which went to the post. The Sons and Riders each donated \$100 to Turkey earthquake relief. We will work at the Oakland half-marathon March 19, and will work at Courthouse Square May 3rd at a fallen officer ceremony.
	DISCUSSION:	
	REPORT BY:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carol Rael: Blue Star Moms box packing for active-duty troops is April 29 at 8 a.m. at the post.
	DISCUSSION:	
	OLD BUSINESS	
	NEW BUSINESS	
	OTHER ISSUES FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER	50-year certificates for membership in the American Legion Vincent Marafino George W. Garris Robert J. Ahrens
		70-year certificate for membership in the American Legion Merrill Metzger, DDS
		George Smith will send the certificates to the men listed along with a letter of thanks to them. Two men are local and two are out-of-state.
	Rental deposit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was suggested that deposits for rentals be made within one week of asking for a date on the calendar. George Smith explained that while a date may be marked on the calendar as rented, the date is still open until someone makes a deposit whether the depositor is the original interested party or is a later interested party who inquired about the date and made a deposit.
	Radio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If anyone has a table radio they can donate to a veteran, please let Cobbey Sova know.
	Toys for Tots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was recommended that we support the Marines Toys for Tots every year. George Smith said we will do much more publicity for the program than last year, and will support it annually. They are invited to have a vehicle at the Veterans Day ceremony for collection of toys.
	USV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More volunteers are needed for funeral details. Contact Leo McArdle if you are interested.
	Roll of Dice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vern Mull won \$43 and donated it to the post.
	ADJOURNMENT	